



The Knight Caller



Msgr. Virgil Gabrielli Council #4991

Northern California Chapter

A Division 4 Council

District 8

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Dear Brother Knights and Families:

Summer is finally on its way over, as we prepare for the winter months. Advent and Christmas are just around the corner. The Knights and the parish have been really busy over the summer time. I would like to welcome Fr. Enrique Alvarez as our new parochial administrator, who took over from Fr. Joe back in May of this year. Fr. Enrique has been very supportive of our Knights of Columbus Council and of the Knights. Father is a third degree Knight and has officially been transferred to our Council two weeks ago. I have invited him to become our Council Chaplain to succeed Fr. Joe.

There are a lot of events coming up for our Council. The Past Grand Knights Dinner is scheduled for October 18th. We also have our Christmas Party on December 20th, and our Crab Feed on January 30th. Also, we have been asked to assist with some of fundraising events toward the end of the year and next year, for example a possible Craft Fair and Parish Festival. The parish is in need of a new commercial freezer and new icemaker for the Hall kitchen. It is also has been proposed to replace the round tables that we and other ministries use for meals in the Hall. I am hoping the Knights can help with these most important needs and upgrades to the Parish.

It is with sadness that I was informed that Brother Dave Smolen has passed to the Lord. Although I did not know him personally, I would like all Knights and their families to keep him, his wife Dorothy and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

Again, I implore all Knights to look in your hearts and help us assist in our Council activities. We sure could use any help with any of our events. I would particularly like to reach out to the Hispanic community in our parish. Brothers Joe Gonzales, John Kennedy and Enrique Canto said they would like to help in this important outreach in our Council. And of course, recruitment and retention should always be in the forefront of our intentions. With our new State Deputy, Vince Pacis, has directed a new Knights' team to spearhead recruitment through the District Deputies. It is incumbent on all officers and Knights to find those eligible Catholic men to join us. It can only make our Order stronger. I am very open to any or all ideas and any suggestions can be directed to me or to the Deputy Grand Knight, Steve Payette. Also, if you are interested in becoming a Fourth Degree Knight, let me know. The next Fourth Degree Exemplification is scheduled for April 10th, 2010 at the DoubleTree Hotel here in Sacramento.

Finally, if you are not an insurance member, take a look at it. While other companies are in financial trouble, the Knights of Columbus insurance looks better than ever and the programs are far more attractive than many of our competitor insurance companies. Contact our Field Agent, Dennis Ware, for more information. His contact information is also in the Knight Caller.

I wish everyone a safe autumn and God bless you all.

In Nomine Eius, Vinces

James Stroh
Grand Knight, Council 4991

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At the beginning of the fraternal year, we set our eyes on the goal of achieving the Star Council Award. This means running many successful and varied programs throughout the year and using this activity to spread the word about the Order. This will bring in new members. Please remember to ask each and every Catholic gentleman to join our ranks for the good of the Church, Community and Order

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As your professional Knights of Columbus Field Agent, I look forward to helping us grow in fraternity. My job is to help strengthen councils, explain our products, protect our families, and be an advocate for the Order. Please consider using my training and experience in any way that you feel, I can be of assistance.

Vivat Jesus,

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SAVE THIS DATE – JUNE 5, 2010

The Council's 50th anniversary is on June 5, 2010. We are planning a big dinner party at the Lions Gate Hotel Garden Pavilion. You will soon be receiving an invitation and RSVP for this event. Please plan to attend this event, it is being paid for by the council and we would like to see as many members and their wives at this event.

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PAST EVENTS

Fireworks Booth

Our Fireworks Booth was a lot of fun. The Hendersons (Keith, Cathy, Kelly and Edie) showed up from all over the country to help out. We did not have as good of sales as in the past, but we still had a good time. Thanks to Brother Phil and Jan Phelps for running this activity again.

Ladies Night Out:

We Held our Ladies Night Out on July 19th at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Roseville. There were about 60 people in attendance including Fr. Enrique. The air conditioner broke down before we arrived which made for a warm dinner, but we still had a good time.

Council Picnic:

Our Council Picnic was August 29th from noon to 5:00pm. We were glad we had it in the hall as the temperature was 105° that day. The attendance was a bit light, but we had plenty to eat and lots of fun.

UP COMING EVENTS

Past Grand Knights' Dinner: Is scheduled for Sunday October 18th. This will be a Pot Luck Dinner. Doors open at 4:00PM and we will start eating at 5:00PM. Please bring a dish to pass around. If your last name begins with: A thru F - Salad, G thru K - Desert, L thru R - Main Dish, S thru Z - Side Dish. Hope to see everyone there.

Christmas Party: December 20, 2009 - More info to come.

Free Throw Competition: Sunday January 10, 2010 is open to all children 10 to 14 years old. Eligibility is determined by the age of the contestant as of January 1, 2010. Winners of the Council competition go on to compete in District, and maybe State and National Championships.

Crab Feed: January 30th. Cost this year is \$35.00. We need lots of help to make this a success. You can help by selling tickets to your family and friends or helping us with the event. We will need help with setup, the bar, raffle ticket sales, the kitchen and most importantly cleanup. Even if you can only give an hour, it will help out. This is one of our biggest fundraisers that helps the Council pay for many of its charities and activities.

Long Range Activities:

This is the schedule for the 1st 6 months of 2010: Jan. 10 - Free Throw Competition; Jan. 30 - Crab Feed; Feb. 21 - Pot Luck Dinner; March 20 - Corned Beef Dinner (fundraiser); April 18 - Potluck Dinner; May 8 - Mother Daughter Tea; June 27 - Potluck Dinner.

Activities Calendar

Please save this page and refer to it for dates of activities.

October 2009			
7	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Officers' Meeting
10	1:00PM	St. Lawrence Hall	Breakfast Setup
11	7:30AM	St. Lawrence Hall	Monthly Breakfast
18	4:00pm	St. Lawrence Hall	Past Grand Knights' Dinner
21	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Business Meeting
November 2009			
4	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Officers' Meeting
7	8:30AM	St. Lawrence Hall	Breakfast Setup
8	7:30AM	St. Lawrence Hall	Monthly Breakfast
18	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Business Meeting
December 2009			
2	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Officers' Meeting
16	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Business Meeting
20	Noon-5PM	St. Lawrence Hall	Family Christmas Party
January 2010			
6	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Officers' Meeting
9	8:30AM	St. Lawrence Hall	Breakfast Setup
10	7:30AM	St. Lawrence Hall	Monthly Breakfast
10	11:00AM	St. Lawrence Hall	Free Throw Competition
20	7:30PM	Gabrielli Hall	Business Meeting
30	All Day	St. Lawrence Hall	Crab Feed

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Happy Birthday to the Following Knights.

CHRISTOPHER REEVES	9-3	FRANCIS CLEARY	10-3	PAUL BOLLARD	11-12	JET TOWNS	12-5
FRANK FERNANDEZ	9-7	JAMES PASS	10-7	LAWRENCE EYRE	11-13	ROBERT MARCELLO	12-7
MARK BASHE	9-13	HAROLD SAUNDERS	10-15	COLTSON VARNER	11-13	DANIEL MACLEOD	12-13
ROY DESMANGLES	9-19	RODNEY PHILLIPS	10-15	SIDNEY BOYD	11-15	ADOLPH BENDER	12-28
WILLIS BARRETT	9-19	EMMETT BYRON	10-20	VICTOR LOBO	11-16	STEVEN PAYETTE	12-29
JOHN KENNEDY	9-26	ELIJAH BENSON	10-20	JOEL ORTIZ	11-17	DALE KLUG	12-4
		RONALD HARRISON	10-23	RICHARD BENSON	11-20	BERNARDO CASTILLO	12-11
		ENRIQUE RIVERA	10-25	SIMEON REYES	11-21	MATTHEW GARRETT	12-18
				DONALD MELIN	11-24	MONTE AUSTIN	12-30

Officers for the 2009-2010 Columbian Year					
OFFICE	NAME	PHONE	OFFICE	NAME	PHONE
Grand Knight	James Stroh	331-1061	Warden	John Kennedy	348-6535
Chaplain	Fr. Joe Ternullo	332-4777	Inside Guard	Kosmo Heistler	332-8000
Deputy Grand Knight	Steve Payette	332-8000	Outside Guard	Enrique Canto	
Chancellor	Willie Douglas	784-8321	Trustee 3rd yr.	Rick Dillon	344-5652
Recording Secretary	Steve Freitas	338-0303	Trustee 2nd yr.	Jet Towns	
Financial Secretary	Henry Nanjo	729-4359	Trustee 1st yr.	John Green	729-6269
Treasurer	Phil Phelps	348-7555	General Agent	Don Krolak	797-1760
Lecturer	George Raine	334-0370	Insurance Agent	Dennis Ware	203-9091
Advocate	Monte Austin	991-7721	District Deputy	Lawrence Rositani	486-4377



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